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SUBJECT:NAMIBIA: DRAFT MESSAGE TO FRONT LINE STATES
NIGERIA AND GABON; FINAL WORK ON PROPOSAL

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REF: A) USUN 929; B) USUN 937

1. DEPARTMENT CAN ACCEPT DRAFT MESSAGE TO FRONT LINE
STATES NIGERIA AND GABON AS REVISED REF A. WHILE WE
WOULD HAVE PREFERRED SECOND REVISION STATE 66175
REGARDING "HUMILIATING" ASPECT OF CONFINING RESIDUAL
SAG FORCE AT KARASBURG, IN THE INTEREST OF TIME WE CAN

GO ALONG WITH CONTACT GROUP CONSENSUS.

2. WE AGREE WITH CONTACT GROUP'S DECISION THAT LANGUAGE IN PROPOSAL ON TIMING OF SOUTH AFRICAN WITHDRAWAL SHOULD NOT BE REVISED AND THAT WE ATTEMPT TO HANDLE SOUTH AFRICAN CONCERNS ON THIS POINT THROUGH ORAL STATEMENT

HOWEVER, WE DO NOT AGREE THAT TALKING POINTS WHICH WILL BE USED TO CONVEY THIS POSITION TO SOUTH AFRICANS SHOULD BE BASED ON CONCEPT THAT WESTERN FIVE "WOULD SUPPORT SOUTH AFRICA'S ACCESSION TO THIS REQUEST., THIS FORMULATION COULD BE INTERPRETED AS MEANING THAT FIVE SUPPORTED REINTRODUCTION OF SOUTH AFRICAN FORCES INTO NAMIBIA, WHICH IS CERTAINLY NOT THE CASE. AS AN ALTERNATIVE, WE SUGGEST THAT TALKING POINTS BE DRAFTED TO REFLECT POSITION THAT FIVE "WOULD NOT OPPOSE SOUTH AFRICA'S ACCESSION TO THIS REQUEST." WE ALSO AGREE THAT SWAPO AND FRONT LINE STATES BE INFORMED OF WHATEVER STATEMENT IS MADE IN ORDER TO AVOID SUBSEQUENT CHARGES OF BAD FAITH. DRAFT TALKING POINTS FOR USE WITH FOURIE IN PARA 11 REF B ARE ALSO ACCEPTABLE TO DEPARTMENT.

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